



Proclamation

Presented

In Recognition of Senior Corps Week

WHEREAS, the Corporation for National and Community Service is the nation's largest grantmaker supporting service and volunteering; through its Senior Corps, AmeriCorps and Learn and Serve America programs, opportunities for Americans of all ages and backgrounds to express their patriotism while addressing community needs can be realized; and

WHEREAS, the Corporation for National and Community Service's mission is "to improve lives, strengthen communities, and foster civic engagement through service and volunteering"; and

WHEREAS, the Corporation for National and Community Service plays a vital role in supporting the American culture of citizenship, service and responsibility; the Corporation for National and Community Service is a catalyst for change and champions the ideal that every American has the skills and talents to give; and

WHEREAS, the Corporation for National and Community Service Senior Corps programs - RSVP, Senior Companions and Foster Grandparents - have proven highly effective in engaging Americans ages 55 and over in meeting national and community needs; and

WHEREAS, the Corporation for National and Community Service Senior Corps program offers opportunities for nearly 500,000 older Americans across the nation, including approximately 4,150 Senior Corps volunteers in Hawai'i, to serve their local communities; and

WHEREAS, the Corporation for National and Community Service Senior Corps volunteers provided more than 98 million hours of community service worth more than \$2 billion last year; and

WHEREAS, the Corporation for National and Community Service will be recognizing *Senior Corps Week* from September 19-25, 2011;

THEREFORE I, NEIL ABERCROMBIE, Governor, and I, BRIAN SCHATZ, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim the week of September 19-25, 2011 as

"SENIOR CORPS WEEK"

in Hawai'i and urge the people of the Aloha State to join us in commending Senior Corps volunteers for their valuable service and dedication to improving our communities.

DONE at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this twelfth day of September, 2011.

NEIL ABERCROMBIE
Governor, State of Hawai'i

BRIAN SCHATZ
Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i